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W Hereas a certain parcel of Things call'd *Reasons*, did lately pretend to address themselves in Writing to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London*, for the great good and preservation of the said City, but have not yet appeared, neither by themselves nor their *Proxies*, (Sir T. P. and Mr. F. J.) and therefore, as 'tis thought, have privately withdrawn themselves, or rather deserted the Great Cause of the City, which miserably lies at stake for want of them: It was therefore adjudg'd, by that great the Stickler in publick Business Madam *Vulgar Opinion*, That those *Reasons* lay under a vehement suspicion of being criminal by way of omission. Whereupon a Council was call'd by the Lady Regent aforesaid; at which were present *Good Sense, Sincerity, Judgment, Plain Meaning, Right Understanding*, and several others: To whom *Loyalty, Religion, and Government*, made most heavy Complaints of a parcel of Gentlemen, that call'd themselves *Reasons*, who had made use of their Names to their great scandal and disreputation, as if they were the common Abettors and Fomentors of Mutiny and Rebellion, for which they desired satisfaction, and in regard they conceal'd themselves, that there might be a Warrant of *HUE and CRY* against them, to take them wheresoever they should be found: Which was granted, with the following Descriptions, for the better pursuit of the Parties.

They

They are said to be fair-fac'd, the Locks of their Expressions long and dangling; smooth tongu'd, but very short sighted. They look like Saints, but have a black Mark upon their Foreheads, as if their Mothers had long'd for Mulberries. They have Ears indeed, but will hear no body speak but themselves; and are very positive in their Assertions, which makes them great Lovers of Coffee and Aromatic. Sometimes they will be very drunk, and then they talk down-right Treason, but when they are sober, there are no persons in the world more given to whispering. They are very young, and yet they speak very plain, but they want Teeth for the most part, which is a certain Sign to know 'em by: But as young as they are, no persons in the world have a greater conceit of their own Wit, as if they were all *Minerva's* chop'd out of *Jupiter's* Brain. In so much that they will thrust themselves before Kings, Councils, and Dukes, pretend to direct and determine, with a confidence beyond *Presbyterian*; and where they get the upper hand, will out crow a million of Dunghill Cocks. They go well habited, for their Waist-coats are of wrought Religion, their upper Coats of seeming Loyalty, with a lac'd Campaign of Complaint against Oppression. They have this Quality peculiar to them, that they will vanish of a sudden, for they are very airy; and therefore they that go to seize them must rub their Hands in wet Sand, like those people that strip Eels. They are easily discover'd when they walk, for they crickle most shamefully in the Hams; and are oft-times so lame, that they are forc'd to support themselves with the Crutches of Popularity. Hear 'em but discourse, and you catch 'em presently. They are stiff Protestants, but care not a straw for Bishops; very worldly minded, for they pity the Loss of Trade to extremity. They are like *Ben. Johnson's* Pick-pocket; they tickle the Peoples Ears with a straw, the better to accomplish their Designs. In a word, *Faction* heads 'em, *Tumult* attends 'em, and *Specious Pretence* maintains 'em.

O-O-O-yes, &c. If any Man or Woman, in City or Country, can make discovery where the Strength of these Reasons lies, for they covey all together, let them bring them before Obedience to Princes, who is the sole Judge of their Plea, and is also ready to undertake them at all points: And they that can apprehend them for Reasons, shall be well rewarded for their pains.

This Proclamation being made, it was then debated how to punish these Reasons so soon as they should be taken; and it was positively concluded, That they should be sent to the Hospital for Madmen, there to be physick'd, till Affidavit were made of their perfect Recovery.

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